

POST OFFICE BELIEVED TO BE BURIED UNDER DEBRIS OF FIRE

Packet of Bills Taken From the Desk of El Paso's Assistant Postmaster.

GOLD AND CHECKS ARE NOT DISTURBED

The El Paso postoffice was robbed Tuesday morning in broad daylight and a large sum of money, said to be \$500, was taken. The robbery occurred in the office of assistant postmaster George L. Wilton, shortly before 10 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Wilton had stepped to the door of his office, which enters into the main mail room of the postoffice, and while there was called away for a moment and when he returned he noticed a packet of bills was missing. The bills had been in a tin safe box on his desk. Under the bills in the same box were several checks and \$150 in gold, but the robber, evidently in a hurry, left the gold and checks in the box.

None of the postoffice employees were in Mr. Wilton's office at the time, so no one saw who took the money. Postmaster J. A. Smith was in the adjoining office, at his desk, but he saw no one enter or leave the office and so the postoffice officials are at a loss to know who it was that stole the money. Mr. Smith was positive that the money was not taken by any of the postoffice employees and that it was an outsider.

COLLEGE BREAKS THE REGISTRATION RECORD

Students Assigned Tuesday Numbered 177; Washouts Delay Passengers.

State College, N. M., Sept. 4.—The Agricultural College experienced the largest registration of students for the first day in its history on Tuesday. One hundred and seventy-seven assignments were made, and the college pointed toward a full and enthusiastic year. The industrial department and the college staff were equally in the increase in attendance.

Dr. O. Wooten, formerly professor of the Biological Department and assistant of the college, has arrived from Washington, D. C., in the interest of the national herbarium.

DELAY BANQUET FOR GUESTS TO DRESS

Grand Army Veterans Show Gallantry on Way to Encampment.

Denver, Colo., Sept. 4.—The gallantry of Grand Army veterans, it developed today, delayed for 15 minutes a banquet last night. The veterans, who were to dine at the El Paso Hotel, were delayed by the fact that they were to go to the El Paso Hotel, where they were to dine.

BLUEJACKETS SEIZE STEAMER FROM REBELS

Washington, D. C., Sept. 4.—American bluejackets from the cruiser, Glacier, under command of Commander Glavin, have recaptured from the Nicaraguan revolutionists a small steamer the rebels had seized near Corinto, and taken it to the bay of Fonseca to transport insurgent troops.

GRAND JURY RETURNS TWO INDICTMENTS TUESDAY

The first session of the grand jury held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, resulted in the returning of two indictments. Those indicted were: J. C. Reese, assault with intent to murder; John Simpson, assault to murder.

FALL GOES TO CALIFORNIA

Senator A. B. Fall left Tuesday night for Los Angeles, where he will continue his investigation of the Mexican situation. Senator Fall expected to leave Monday, but was detained by a number of conferences in El Paso. He will return with senator William Alden Smith, chairman of the subcommittee for the investigation of Mexican revolutions and their financing.

ARMY OFFICER'S SON IS FATALLY BURNED

Sheridan, Wyo., Sept. 4.—Precipitated into an ash can filled with hot ashes, when he jumped upon the lid, Edward Wells, Jr., the 4½ year old son of Lieut. and Mrs. Edward Wells, was fatally burned about the legs and the lower part of his body Monday evening.

Loss at Ocean Park, California, Will Reach Nearly \$2,000,000.

RESORT IS STILL UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Ocean Park, Calif., Sept. 4.—Twelve persons, including one woman and the six children of S. J. Scarde, a wealthy summer resident, have been missing since the outbreak of the flames which devastated an area of six blocks along the Strand, last night and wiped out the entire amusement section of the resort.

Soldiers and police guarding the ruins were unable to find any of the missing up to an early hour today and expressed the belief that all or most of them had met the fate that overtook H. F. Lock, a restaurant cashier, who lost his life when he leaped off the blazing Fraser pier.

The town is still under martial law. A force of 1,000 men is at work clearing railroad rights of way and streets.

Mr. Scarde became frantic when the police reported that the children and the woman, who was acting as nurse, could not be found. They have not been heard from.

Three other persons numbered among the missing, were on the pier. Life guards say they saw at least 12 persons leap into the ocean.

There was some looting during the night, but with the coming of daylight every one was driven out of the fire zone.

Not a cent of insurance was carried upon Fraser's pier, and but little on the other buildings destroyed. Estimates of losses which ran as high as \$3,500,000 last night, were reduced today to \$1,750,000.

Inadequate water system is blamed for the fire and the chamber of commerce called a mass meeting today to lay plans for rebuilding and a new water service.

Taft Suffers From ATTACK OF GOUT

President's Physician Orders Him to Bed For a Rest.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 4.—Upon the advice of Maj. T. L. Rhoades, U. S. A., his personal aide and physician, President Taft took to his bed for a few hours today, expecting to remain there until the garden party this afternoon in honor of long-time work in the national Congress of Applied Chemistry. It was said at the white house that the president, but that he was suffering from a lame ankle, which he sprained a few days ago while playing golf.

BEGINS FISCAL YEAR WITH TWENTY MILLION

Texas Has \$793,417 in Cash and \$19,359,615 in Bonds.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 4.—The state of Texas starts off its new fiscal year, beginning September 1, with a balance of \$793,417 in cash to the credit of the various funds, and \$19,359,615 in bonds. The cash on hand is \$793,417, the credit of the general revenue fund, \$64,793 to the available school fund; \$30,729 to the permanent school fund, and \$19,359 to the credit of the permanent university fund, and \$13,042 out of the Galveston quarantine station funds.

SAYS IRRIGATION LAW CONSTITUTIONAL

Bond Issues For Irrigation Districts Will Not Be Longer Held Up.

Austin, Texas, Sept. 4.—Mandamus proceedings will not be necessary to test the constitutionality of the irrigation district law, as today attorney general J. D. Wadsworth announced he has reached the conclusion the law is constitutional.

Progressives Prevent a Majority Choice, but Legislature Is Republican.

FLETCHER WILL BE THE NEXT GOVERNOR

White River Junction, Vermont, Sept. 4.—Although the Republicans carried the state on a plurality vote the Progressives and Democrats developed enough strength to prevent an election by a majority vote and the choice of governor was thrown into the legislature.

The Republicans, however, will have sufficient majority in the legislature to elect Allen M. Fletcher for governor and the rest of the state ticket.

Returns show that the next legislature will consist of 35 Republicans, 26 Democrats and 14 Progressives and 30 Republican senators.

Congressman Frank L. Green, of St. Albans, in the first and Frank Pierce, of Northfield, in the second district, were reelected without material opposition.

Democratic and Progressive leaders say the presidential election will be stubbornly fought.

Additional returns in yesterday's election, compiled and revised today, show all but 14 small towns, gave for governor:

Allen M. Fletcher, Republican, 25,072; Harlan E. Howe, Democrat, 15,492; Rev. Francis Metzger, Progressive, 15,070; Clement F. Smith, Prohibition, 14,910; Fred W. Sulter, Socialist, 16,421.

The missing towns in 1910 gave: Mead, Republican, 14,882; Watson, Democrat, 486; Towley, Prohibition, 28; Ordway, Socialist, 11.

If the proportionate gain or loss is maintained in the remaining towns, it is figured that the total vote in Vermont for the three leading candidates will be: Fletcher, 30,100; Howe, 20,100; Metzger, 15,550.

The failure of the Republican candidate to obtain a majority for the first time in the history of the state in an election preceding a presidential election will necessitate the election of the state's chief executive by the legislature.

It is expected the Republicans will have a substantial majority in the legislature.

The strength of the Progressive vote was the feature of the election. The Democrats also increased their vote over two years ago.

ROOSEVELT FORCES WIN IN CALIFORNIA

Electors Pledged to the Colonel Will Be On the Official Ballot.

San Francisco, Calif., Sept. 4.—The primary election yesterday which gave the Progressive party its first opportunity in California to test its strength against the long-dominant Republican control of the state. This means that Republican electors pledged to Roosevelt will be named by the convention and will go on the official ballot as the Republican candidates. The Taft leaders, to get their electors on the ballot, will be forced to resort to petitions.

WILL TAKE \$50,000 WORTH OF FUEL FOR THE CITY.

Because El Paso uses one million and a half gallons more water per day than it uses last year, it is estimated that it would require more than \$50,000 worth of coal and oil to run the city's water supply this year. The bids in this respect advertised for by the city some time ago have been received and no action will be taken. The report of the city engineer, Herbert Nunn, says that the city's water supply is sufficient, together with a small amount by the city engineer, to what he considers cheapest for the city to purchase. The report will be submitted to the finance committee within the next four days. After the finance committee has acted, it will be submitted to the city council as a whole for definite action.

EFFORT TO JUSTIFY COPIES OF COPIES

Eduardo Hay Is Mentioned as the Probable New State Governor.

Strong effort to remove governor Abram Gonzalez of Chihuahua from his position is said to be shaping itself. The proposed successor of Gonzalez is said to be Eduardo Hay, the hero of Casas Grandes, who is now a member of the house of deputies of Mexico City.

The federal army has taken a dislike to Gonzalez, it is said, and frequent quarrels between him and Gen. Huerta have taken place, according to reports. Gen. Huerta, who on account of his military record is being talked of as the next candidate for president of the country, is said to have much power against the federal army.

It is the choice of many people, it is said, on account of his being popular among the people of the state of Chihuahua, that he is being talked of as the next candidate for president of the country.

HEAVY ARTILLERY FOR CIUDAD JUAREZ

Border City to Be Fortified to Prevent Its Future Capture.

Recognizing the strategic importance of Juarez, the Mexican government has decided to fortify the city with light and heavy artillery. It is also planned to erect forts and sunken machine gun positions around the town. Col. Guillermo Rubio Navarrete, commander in chief of artillery of the Mexican army, is in Juarez to perfect the plans for the fortification.

As soon as his plans are forwarded to the war department at Mexico City, the artillery and equipment will be sent to Juarez.

In the many revolutions since the fall of the Diaz regime, this port of the United States has been the scene of the railway running southwest to the state capital and south to Mexico City has caused great loss of business not only to Mexico but to the United States in mining and cattle interests.

Juarez often has been taken and retaken by the federal army and always has been the most important point of military as well as commercial operations.

Difficultly in protecting Juarez with infantry has led the war department to determine to install sufficient armament to protect against any force, and to allow the infantry and cavalry to operate inland.

With the installation of heavy artillery the city will be in a position to repel any attack by the federal army men that no rebels will dare to attack the Mexican border town.

AMERICANS MOLESTED—BRITISH PROTECTED

Sonora Conditions Show the Disrespect of Mexicans For Americans.

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 4.—American ranches and stores in Sonora, Mexico, are being molested by the attitude of the Mexicans toward the Americans. The Mexicans are being disrespectful to the Americans and are being disrespectful to the Americans.

A message was received here yesterday from the Alamo ranch, 35 miles west of Douglas, that 150 rebels under command of Campa had visited the ranch during the night and had been disrespectful to the Americans.

The demands immediately changed to requests. Campa asked the foreman to "please allow him to take three saddle horses, which were all that he stood in urgent need of. He also requested with the deepest courtesy that his men be given food. Both requests were granted.

SONOZABEZ IN CANANEA IS BELIEVED, BUT NACOZARI STILL FIGHTING

To Guard North Western Railroad With His Overall Uniformed Fighters.

TROOPS SENT WEST FROM CHIHUAHUA

Gen. Augustin Sanjines, with an escort of 50 Yaqui Indian warriors, arrived in Juarez today to confer with the Mexican government.

The presence of a few bands of rebels menacing the Mexican North Western railway to the southwest of Juarez will be combated with the 900 Indians under command of Gen. Sanjines. These Indians will be strung along the railway at various points.

The Indians have proved much more efficient than the Mexican federal soldiers in scouting duty and guerrilla fighting.

The Indian braves accompanying the federal general appear more like farmers than soldiers. They wear ordinary blue overalls and have the ends of their trousers tucked into their boots.

ARMED REBELS IN MORMON COLONIES

Levee Built by Colonists Is Washed Away and River Overflows Colonia Diaz.

Alonso Fernandez y Arguelles, representative of a Mexican City Banking company at Colonia Diaz, called at the Mormon headquarters Tuesday and told the officials of the church of the conditions which exist there.

He told the colonists that armed rebels were riding through the streets of Colonia Diaz, where they were carrying off everything of value which had been left there.

He said that the Casa Grande, river, which overflowed, washed away the levee which the colonists had built and that the town of Colonia Diaz was in danger of being flooded.

Discouraged because of conditions in Mexico, the refugees from Sonora, who are in El Paso, are planning to leave for Tucson and other places in the southwest.

Many of the refugees will remain here, but wherever employment may be obtained, the men will go to it in an effort to support their families.

Advices from Douglas say Gen. Campa, who was reported to be advancing toward the Sonora colonies, although none of the rebels had been seen since the last news was received from there.

A daughter of Joshua William Stevens, a Mormon resident of Douglas, who was killed while defending his other two daughters' honor, is a refugee in El Paso.

She is Mrs. Rebecca Palmer, of Colonia Pacheco, who came to El Paso to leave the colonies for El Paso. Mrs. Palmer knows nothing of the details of the murder except that which has been received at the Mormon headquarters from president Junius Romney, of the Mormon colonies.

ALL MORMON WOMEN HAVE QUIT SONORA

Many of the Local Refugees Scatter to United States Points.

All Mormon women and children have left the Sonora colonies of Oahuca, Morelos and San Jose and have arrived at Douglas, Ariz., where they are being cared for in a refugee camp, similar to the one established in El Paso for the care of the Chihuahua colonists.

Troops Reach the Mexican Copper Camp and the Rebels Disperse to Join the Rebel Band in the Hills—A 30-Hour Fight at Naco, With American Help—ing to Defend Town Against Rebel Band.

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 4.—Advices received last night by officials of the Moctezuma Copper company are to the effect that after a 30 hours' battle, the garrison at Naco succeeded in standing off the attacking force of rebels. The defenders sustained no casualties except three wounded.

The rebels withdrew northeast. What losses they sustained in killed and wounded is not known.

THE BATTLE RENEWED.

According to advices received by officials of the Copper company, the rebels returned this morning to renew the attack upon Naco. A work train intended to repair bridges and reopen the line did not leave Agua Prieta today.

Gen. Antonio Rojas is said to be responsible for the determination to re-attack Naco. He is said to have a force of 700 men with much ammunition and a good food supply.

A courier who arrived in Douglas at 1 o'clock this morning with news of Sunday's and Monday's fight, fears that the town will eventually fall into rebel hands. The defenders have fewer than 5000 cartridges as a result of a woeful waste of ammunition in the former fight, firing at impossible ranges.

In this respect the rebels were equally wasteful. But one American participated in the first fight, the others saying they would not get on the firing line unless absolutely necessary to prevent the destruction of the town or plant.

CAMPA IN THE FIGHT.

A courier arrived in Douglas from Cananea at noon today. He says Gen. Emilio P. Campa, with 250 men, each with 100 rounds, a number of extra rifles and a large quantity of ammunition, marched south Tuesday morning to meet Rojas in the Ajo mountains, there to divide fresh mounts and ammunition and to distribute rifles to unarmed recruits. It is believed this was effected and that Rojas and Campa are investing Naco. It is feared the garrison of the latter may be short of ammunition as a result of the 30 hours' battle Sunday and Monday.

FOUR HUNDRED REBELS ENGAGED.

The telegram telling of this battle received here last night, said that the attacking rebels numbered 400 and that after they were beaten off, they moved west, toward the Ajo mountains, where a general assembly of rebels for redistribution of ammunition and food supplies was to take place. Eleven bridges are burned on the Naco-Naco line. These will be repaired at once. The damage to the rolling stock of the Naco-Naco railroad is lighter than was reported, according to Walter Douglas. Two cars of concentrates from Naco were wrecked by the rebels. The coaches and engine of a passenger train were held intact and recaptured by the federals.

UNEASY ABOUT MAX WEBER.

Some anxiety is felt regarding the fate of Max Weber, German consular agent at Juarez, who went to Moctezuma last Wednesday to investigate the hangings of two Germans near that place several weeks ago, and who has not since been heard from. He may be safe, but it is thought strange that no word has come from him, though he has had an opportunity to communicate with friends in Douglas by means of couriers.

A number of known filibusters are here attempting to organize an American invasion of Sonora with the object of setting up an independent republic, but they are not closely watched by American soldiers that they may not be able to do anything. Friday is the day set for the invasion.

CANANEA IS BELIEVED.

Five hundred federal troops, parts of the fifth and 224 battalions, reached Cananea from Nogales at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, thus relieving the tension caused by a fear of attack from the rebels. The latter have disappeared from the territory to the northward, the lines from Cananea to Naco and to Nogales being completely free again.

Rebels and federals engaged in a battle at Bancochi Monday afternoon, according to word brought by couriers to Cananea and wired here. The bar racks were dynamited by the rebels and two federals were killed and seven wounded.

DE REBEL LOSS WAS NOT STATED.

De Torre's rebel band is said to have recently joined that of Escobedo, near Naco, and, with Emilio Campa, both now are on the way to the Ajo mountains, east of Cananea, where, it is said, all the rebel forces are to concentrate.

COWBOYS ARE ROBBED.

The Christensen ranch, 16 miles west of Douglas, on the American side, was raided by rebels Sunday afternoon. They cut the wire fences and drove off a number of horses.

Young Davis, a local cowboy, was at the R. O. ranch, belonging to the Cananea Cattle company, when it was raided Sunday. He had his string of four mules and two horses taken, also \$45 in cash, his saddle and leggins taken from him at the point of a rifle. He says the invaders took 71 horses and all the saddles on the ranch. Several times they placed their rifle barrels against the bodies of himself and eight other men employed on the ranch.

CAMPOS GIVES RECEIPT.

Campos was in command and was polite, insisting upon giving Davis a receipt for the stolen stock. Davis stated that 300 rebels were in the band. All were well mounted, well armed and with much ammunition, several boxes of dynamite, and more than a hundred extra rifles.

MANY BRIDGES BURNED.

A. R. Dickson, of the Washington mines, arrived in Douglas this morning, after riding out on horseback. He confirms a report that 11 bridges were totally destroyed by the rebels. One steel ore car was turned loose by the rebels and derailed by a switch just before entering Naco.

THE BOX CAR BLOCKS THE TRACK NEAR CUENTA AND IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR TRAINS TO GO IN OR OUT OF NACO UNTIL A WRECKER REMOVES THE CAR.

OROZCO'S SECRETARY IS GIVEN LIBERTY

Ricardo Gomez Robelo has been given his freedom by United States commissioner Oliver as a result of the preliminary hearing held Tuesday afternoon when the government was unable to prove the complaint against Robelo. Robelo had been charged as being a conspirator against the Mexican government with David de la Puente, who also has been arrested on the same charge. They are alleged to have been fomenting a revolution and to have been in the conspiracy with Vasquez Gomez.

Gomez Robelo was a secretary of the revolution under Orozco and was arrested by American officers a few days ago as he crossed the bridge conveying the message from Orozco to Gen. Steever that Juarez was evacuated by the rebels.

REBELS DIVE INTO RIVER

To RECOVER FEDERAL RIFLES. The rebels at last are getting ammunition and rifles as a result of their capture of the town of Ojinaga. Col. Pascual Orozco, sr., now the rebel chief in command of Ojinaga, has his rebel soldiers diving into the Rio Grande to recover the rifles thrown into the river by the federal guards and is recovering them and the ammunition conveyed in with the rifles. The war implements are slightly dampened, but will be used against the federal forces.

EXPLOSION KILLS 37 MINERS IN FRANCE

Lens, France, September 4.—Forty coal miners are known to have been killed by an explosion of fire-damp in the Clarence coal mine near Bruay in the department of Nord.

The explosion wrecked the mine. Seventy-three men were working in the pit. The work of rescue proved extremely difficult, as the passages of the mine were filled with a dense black vapor and the walls were collapsing. Twenty-three living miners and 25 bodies have been taken from the mine. Those rescued alive were fearfully burned.

The entombed men were working in a remote part of the pit and mine officials believe it will be impossible to save them.

Three of the rescuing party were among the killed and a number of the others were injured while trying to dig their entombed comrades.

Further explosions occurred today and the entire pit is on fire. Mining engineers have decided that it must be sealed.

BITTER COMES WITH HUERTA.

P. D. Ritter, engineer of maintenance of way for the Mexico National lines at Mexico City, is in the city, having arrived in Juarez with Gen. V. Huerta.